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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Examiner's Action of September 22, 2004. Please reconsider the rejection of the Claims in view of this Amendment and the following Remarks.